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- 1. POLITICAL LIABILITIES INHERENT IN ANY NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIP VISIT PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 14-15 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PRECLUDE OUR REVISING ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT (REF B). VISIT BY MORE IMPRESSIVE WARSHIP WOULD NOT ALTER RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED TO EMBASSY OFFICERS BY SENIOR NORWEGIAN OFFICIALS OF BOTH DEFENSE AND FOREIGN MINISTRIES. WE CAN APPRECIATE THEIR CONCERN BASED ON OUR OWN OBSERVATIONS OF LIKELY NORWEGIAN REACTION AND BELIEVE IT IS WELL FOUNDED.
- 2. EMBASSY HEARTILY AGREES THAT VISIT WOULD BE OUTSTANDING DEMONSTRATION OF CONTINUED SUPPORT AND CONCERN FOR NORTHERN FLANK. WE REGRET THAT USS NIMITZ CANNOT BE MADE AVAILABLE IN THE IMMEDIATE POST-ELECTION PERIOD BUT WOULD HOPE NAVY COULD SCHEDULE VISIT TO NORWAY CONFIDENTIAL

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